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RIO DE JANEIRO, MAY 4th, 1886.

THE formal opening of the first session of the new General Assembly took place on the 3rd instant. The address from the throne was an unusually long one, but like all of its kind is most remarkable for what it does not contain. Aside from the customary congratulations and the bulletin of news about the maintenance of order and peaceful relations with foreign nations, the address recounts the recent financial operations of the government, recommends measures for improving the monetary standard, and suggests reforms in the laws affecting municipal government, immigration, and the judiciary. All these recommendations are so general in character that no idea can be derived as to what action the government proposes to take. It is altogether probable that this session will not pass without legislation of some character, as the government took good care to secure an overwhelming majority in the last elections. Abolition may be considered as shelved, as few abolitionists were returned. There will be a considerable financial legislation, but we doubt very much that it will be just what the country requires. In questions of immigration and public lands, however, it is probable that better work will be done, as the minister of agriculture is more advanced and liberal in that respect, and much better informed, than any of his predecessors for many years.

ACCORDING to the Porto Alegre *Jornal do Commercio* the Argentine government is building a railway across the province of Entre Ríos, between Concepcion del Uruguay and the Rio Paraná, opposite Rosario, under peculiar circumstances. It is said that the contract calls for the completion of the road, 290 kilometres long, in three months, and that a force of 4,000 men has been actively employed to that end. This line will give railway communication between Buenos Aires and the Uruguayan town of Paysandú, which is sufficiently near the Brazilian frontier to be a dangerous base of operations. It is probable that the critical state of affairs in Uruguay and the attitude of Brazil, whose preferences were but thinly disguised, led the Argentine government to undertake this enterprise in anticipation of a possible conflict. Neither country cares to be placed at disadvantage on this Uruguayan question, and it is needless to add, neither of them would hesitate to secure an advantage either in position or

initiative. With the completion of this new railway line, the Argentines will have an advantage of position which should not be overlooked, for it will then be possible to send troops from Buenos Aires to Concepcion del Uruguay in forty-eight hours, which is only 360 kilometres distant from Bagé in Rio Grande do Sul. With this railway the province of Rio Grande is practically at the mercy of the Argentines, for they can throw an armed force within any point of its southern frontier within six to ten days. It is probable that the sudden collapse of the Uruguayan revolution has defeated the plans of our neighbors as to the immediate use of this road, but still, when the necessity does come, it will be found most serviceable to a hostile army. In this connection, the activity of the Argentines in this matter contrasts very favorably with the shuffling, dilly-dallying policy which has characterized the construction of the Rio Grande roads, where so much money has been spent and time consumed without having one single completed line to show for it.

It must be confessed that the part played by this government in the closing act of the Uruguayan revolution is very far from creditable. It is hardly to be expected that a neighboring power will show more zeal in the suppression of an insurrection than the government itself against which that insurrection is directed; and yet that seems to be just exactly what Brazil has done. Of course, there have been mitigating circumstances which will justify something of over-anxiety on the part of the Brazilian cabinet. The insurrection was developed and encouraged in the Argentine Republic; its leader was under many and strong obligations to that country; the appearances indicated a secret understanding between the revolutionists and the Argentine government; and its success, therefore, meant a decided supremacy of Argentine influences at Montevideo. Under the Santos dictatorship the influence of Brazil had been paramount, and the Brazilian cabinet could not, therefore, view this invasion of Uruguayan territory with indifference. The feeling, perhaps, is to be fully justified on political grounds, but at the same time it is difficult to find any justification for the lengths to which Brazilian authority has been exerted. The revolution was quickly and easily suppressed by the Uruguayan government, and a general amnesty immediately followed the final defeat of Arredondo's forces. Arredondo himself immediately sought protection in Brazilian territory, voluntarily surrendering to the Brazilian frontier commander, and giving up his arms. He was at once, with his companions, placed under arrest, put in confinement, and treated with severity and unjustifiable neglect. He was then removed to the provincial capital, and thence, after a time, was sent to this city under guard. When it is considered that Arredondo is a foreign citizen, that he had violated no law of this country, and that his own country, against which all his hostile efforts had been directed, had decreed a general amnesty, it is exceedingly difficult to understand why Brazil should have done all this. If Uruguay did not intend to shoot, hang and imprison, why should Brazil go out of her way to imprison and humiliate a lot of defeated officers who sought her protection? And why should Brazil strive to be more severe than Uruguay herself? Of course, the object was to please Santos and strengthen Brazilian influence at Montevideo, but could not this have been done without so palpable and undignified an exhibition of the purpose? The recent and unprecedented action of the prime minister in discussing the matter

and publishing his official telegrams, shows an anxiety on his part which is a virtual admission of the blunder made.

Some days ago a party here had occasion to ship a small box to Santos by one of the steamers of the Companhia Paulista. The box was sent to the company's offices, and the necessary formalities of dispatching were complied with. In paying the freight the shipper was surprised to find that he had been charged 3\$00, which was considered exorbitant, as much in fact as other companies charge for much longer distances, more than this same company had previously charged for a similar package, and much more than any foreign steamer touching at Santos would think of charging. Upon remonstrating against the charge, he was busily told that if he did not like to pay it he could take his box away. Of course, in any ordinary business transaction, it is understood that no one is obliged to submit to unsatisfactory terms; but in transactions of this character, in which one of the parties is a public carrier and enjoying a public franchise, the conditions are radically different. In the United States the courts have recently decided that a steamship company has no right to charge one shipper more than another. It is well understood that a man can not take his goods on his back, nor send them by road wagon; he has no alternative but to pay the exaction and submit to the courtesy and impertinence of irresponsible clerks. The question will now be asked: Why did he not ship by a foreign steamer running to Santos? And just here is a reason which will bear a great deal of investigation. Simply because the customs officials at Santos make so many difficulties over coastwise shipments in foreign steamers, that the Santos people are compelled to request their correspondents to ship by the national steamers! All this is evidently the result of a conspiracy to force shippers to send their goods by one steamship line, and now that the service is considered secure the company appears to feel itself warranted in putting on the screws. Unjust as the arrangement certainly is, there is probably no alternative but submission, as the government rarely feels impelled to interfere in such cases against successful monopolies, and the people are not sufficiently united and jealous of their rights. If making such exactions public can be of any service, our columns are wholly at the service of the parties interested.

THE month of April has been one of unusual depression, notwithstanding the long-cherished belief that it would show a marked improvement in business. In commercial circles the testimony is almost unanimous as to the limited amount of business done, the scarcity of money in circulation, and the extreme difficulty in making collections. These difficulties, of course, have existed now for several years and have led business men to use more or less caution in their undertakings; but at the same time the decided increase in trade during the early part of the year, as compared with corresponding periods of 1885, led many to hope that the tide had turned. For the first three months of the year the customs receipts from imports showed a large increase over last year, showing that business was decidedly improving in spite of the breaking out of a fever epidemic in this city. The export trade, however, remained in a depressed state, because of the unwillingness of coffee men to meet the offers from consuming markets. The loss of revenue in this respect, however, was not sufficient to counterbalance the increase from imports, and the customs returns therefore show a very satisfactory increase

over last year. The following table will show the comparative receipts for the two years:

	1885.	1886.
Imports	3,132,385\$237	3,434,930\$599
Exports	509,895 508	429,426 518
Total receipts	3,662,690 101	3,883,324 310
Internal revenue	412,551 126	348,944 937
FEBRUARY:		
Imports	2,538,756\$394	2,800,251\$535
Exports	538,204 379	449,235 121
Total receipts	3,225,082 669	3,446,151 612
Internal revenue	547,906 975	487,950 024
MARCH:		
Imports	2,652,378\$5469	3,028,735\$558
Exports	538,204 379	449,235 121
Total receipts	3,204,380 725	3,496,151 388
Internal revenue	552,694 932	460,900 439
APRIL:		
Imports	3,015,349\$708	2,740,805\$379
Exports	442,085 420	205,969 560
Total receipts	3,470,503 243	2,961,886 388
Internal revenue	903,377 382	863,412 249
Total, imports	11,338,869\$808	12,004,723\$071
Increase	665,853\$263	
Total, exports	2,161,220\$046	1,669,068\$586
Decrease	492,151\$460	
Total receipts	13,563,256\$738	13,745,874\$604
Increase, 4 months	691,240 721	
Total int. revenue	2,416,529\$815	2,159,497\$649
Decrease	257,031\$866	

From these comparisons it will be seen that the April customs and internal revenue receipts show not only a decrease from those of the same month of last year, but also from the preceding three months of the current year. Last year the revenue receipts showed a marked improvement in business during the month of April, as compared with the preceding months of February and March; this year they show the very opposite. There has been a decided falling off in imports, and a still more decided decrease in exports. The latter, of course, is largely, if not wholly, due to the rising exchange, which effectually blocks sales on the narrow margins maintained by this market. But in the matter of imports, this rise ought to facilitate sales, which it does not seem to have done. Taking the customs receipts from all sources for the first three months, the increase over last year was 691,240\$721, which can certainly be accepted as a very flattering indication of reviving trade; but when the decrease for April is taken into account the increase for the four months is reduced to 182,617\$866. When it is considered that this decline follows closely upon the heels of two important government loans, it must be admitted that the influence of these so-called successful transactions has not been altogether favorable. However investors may look upon them, business men are clearly not encouraged by this rapid accumulation of permanent burdens by the state. Turning now to the internal revenue receipts, the great part of which comes from the taxes on industries and professions, on transmissions of property and from the stamp tax, the indications are seriously unfavorable. The receipts for each month of this year have been below those of last year, and the total for the four months of the year show a decrease of 257,031\$866—more than enough to counterbalance the small increase from the custom house. This falling off must be considered more serious than any decrease in the customs receipts could be, for the one indicates a reduction in taxable occupations, industries and transactions, while the other points only to restricted consumption. It would be interesting to know whether capital is really being withdrawn from business and industry, to be invested where the tax-gatherer can not reach it—as in the case of government bonds—because such a tendency would be most prejudicial to the highest interests of the country. Whatever may be the fluctuations in trade, they are not necessarily permanent in character, and when unfavorable do not always indicate more than a temporary check or reverse in

business; but when this decline is in the more permanent investments and enterprises of the country, the matter becomes worthy of serious attention.

The conversion of the 6 per cent. funded debt issued in virtue of the law of 1827 into 5 per cent. stock has been, as we surmised would be the case, effected by an imperial decree issued by the authority granted under the budget law passed by the last legislative assembly. The decree is therefore entirely within the law and only the clauses of the regulation accompanying it are subject to criticism. First, the time granted holders of the old stock for deciding on conversion, or payment, is, it is generally conceded, extremely narrow. Fifteen days may be sufficient for this city, but it is but a short period of grace for the provinces, and forty-five days for foreign holders is palpably insufficient. The Treasury officials having free access to the lists of holders of stock are probably well advised as to the residences of these, and also as to the amount of option the majority of holders possess relative to conversion, or reimbursement. This being so, and the greater part of the stock being held in this city, or its immediate neighborhood, the period granted for option may be courtesy be considered sufficient. Whether the foreign stockholders will protest against the short time granted them for deciding upon the question, we can only learn in the future. In fact the matter is consummated and it is too late for any effective action to counteract the effects of the decree and its cumbersome and somewhat arbitrary *regulamento*. Then the clause restricting transfers is utterly useless, for if a holder of the old stock desires payment, and requires to pawn his holding pending redemption, he has but to pass a power of attorney to the lender, who thus may represent him and receipt for the amount received upon payment. Therefore the clause becomes easily evaded. Considering that the greater part of the holders will make choice of conversion, it remains to consider how the reduction in interest is to benefit the Treasury. A saving of some 3,300,000\$ per annum is apparent, but just about this exact sum will be required to pay the interest on the foreign loan of £6,000,000, and the Treasury has consequently, to use a common saying, "robbed Peter to pay Paul." The holders of the 6 per cent. stock are called upon to pay the holders of the sterling loan the interest on the same, and the Treasury has control of £6,000,000 free of interest. A novelty this, of which one hardly knows whether to admire the audacity in its conception, or to condemn the patience of those directly interested in the matter. Councillor Belisario has succeeded so well in this operation, and, as we have seen no reference to the deduction we make, so well concealed the result, that we are almost prepared to see a further series of experiments on the financial affairs of the empire, including, as seems far from impossible, an attempt at the resumption of specie payments, a great bank of issue, or even the converting of the deficit into a surplus. One thing we do not expect, and that is a sensible reduction of the expenses of government.

THE GUATEMALIAN EXPORT TRADE.
The government of Guatemala wishes to increase its export trade, and with that object it has decreed that in future wine cultivation and wines manufactured from home-grown grapes shall be free from all internal taxes, and that the wine will be exempt from export duty for twenty years. Coffee is also to be exempt from internal taxation and export duties during ten years, while sugar exported will not only be free from export duty for the period, but will enjoy a bonus of 50 cents per cent during that time. This bonus will be paid by the government three months after export, for which purpose bills of lading are to be exchanged at the national Treasury for bonds, which will be accepted in payment of export duties.—*Commercial Bulletin*.

LEGISLATIVE NOTES.

April 26.—The committees on credentials were occupied in examining diplomas. Deputy A. de Siqueira presented sundry petitions from electors of his district relative to illegal acts and threatened violence.

April 27.—In the Senate, the president announced that a quorum was present and appointed the committee to wait upon the Emperor and fix the day for inaugurating the session. In the Chamber, Deputies A. de Siqueira and Correia de Araujo respectively charged and defended electoral irregularities in the 13th district of Pernambuco. There was considerable merriment during the discussion. Deputy Costa Pereira, ex-president of Pernambuco, promised to defend his acts on the proper occasion.

April 28.—In the Chamber, a motion was passed referring the diploma of Sr. Franklin Doria, 3rd district of Piauhy, to the committee on credentials. Further committee reports were presented.

April 29.—In the Senate, the president announced the death of Senator Silveira Lobo. In the Chamber, the Pernambucan deputies occupied the session in examinations and re-examinations.

April 30.—In the Senate, nothing was done. In the Chamber, committee reports were handed in.

May 1.—Nothing of interest in either Senate or Chamber.

May 2.—The committees of the Senate and Chamber appointed to wait on the Emperor, reported that the opening session would be held on the 3rd.

May 3.—The senators and deputies met in the Senate Chamber and H. M. the Emperor read the following speech from the throne :

August and most worthy representatives of the nation :

I congratulate myself and you upon the present session of the General Assembly. On the 26th October last year my much loved wife, the Empress, suffered an accident, from which she is fortunately recovered. I am profoundly sensible of the proofs of attachment which I and my family received upon that occasion.

Order and public tranquillity have been unchallenged. For the better security of the individual and the upright administration of justice, it is necessary that you proceed in the study and discussion, already advanced, of the judiciary reforms.

Some criminal acts that have occurred during the last election, notwithstanding the repeated recommendations and orders of the government, advise that you should examine as to whether such occurrences may be avoided through an alteration in the electoral law.

Education, in its various degrees, claims your solicitude in reorganizing this important branch of public service. Equally, the urgent necessity is recognized for reforming the organic law of the Municipal Chambers, amplifying and rendering more independent their attributes and more prompt their action in affairs peculiar to municipalities.

The law of 28th September, 1885, is being executed faithfully and loyally. To it is attached the question of the introduction of immigrants, for whom should he provide means of employing themselves as small land-owners, or as agricultural laborers. To this end a revision of the decree of 15th March, 1879, relative to location of service, and the Ferraz law of 18th September, 1850, is indispensable.

For the purpose of consolidating the floating debt, which had reached a considerable amount, two loans, one foreign and one domestic, were raised, which still again prove the high credit which Brazil justly enjoys. The latter of these loans enabled the government to decree the conversion at 5 per cent. of the *apólices* of the internal debt at 6 per cent. as authorized by you. The opportuneness and propriety of this measure secure its favorable exit. To re-establish regularity in the public finances, however, the realized measures do not suffice; an equilibrium in the budgets must be secured, a primordial obligation of all states. I trust that to this end you will aid the government in reducing public expenses, and grant it such resources as will become indispensable if the revision of the provisional tariffs of the custom houses does not produce sufficient. No less has it become necessary to secure by permanent and efficacious measures the improvement of the circulating medium, already begun by the late credit operations, that our monetary standard may be maintained.

The army and navy yet require reforms in accordance with the progress lately shown in the art of war. It is necessary to grant to the army penal codes, and of process, adequate in the civilization of the century and in harmony with the principles that governed the decreeing of the law of 26th September, 1874. You will lend great service by taking into consideration the respective projects dependent upon your decision.

There has been no change in the friendly relations we cultivated with other nations. On 6th

March of the present year the treaty concluded on 28th September last, by which Brazil and the Argentine Republic agreed to make, by a mixed commission, the survey or exploration of the rivers in litigation and of the territory bounded by them, was promulgated. It is to be hoped that through this treaty the old question of boundaries will be definitely and satisfactorily settled. There were also promulgated on 4th June last a convention celebrated on 14th March, 1884, with various states for the protection of submarine cables, and on 13th March last the additional clauses to the universal postal convention of 1st January, 1878, signed in Lisbon on 21st March last year. Complying with satisfaction to the requests of the governments of Germany and Belgium, the government nominated a third member of the international *mixed* commission established at Santiago to judge the remonstrances of German subjects against Chili, and authorized this representative, as a member of the Italian-Chilian commission, to decide upon Belgian claims. The recent occurrences in the Oriental Republic of Uruguay obliged the government to strengthen the garrisons on the frontiers to maintain the complete neutrality of the Empire. Happily as peace and tranquillity were speedily re-established, this measure and those ordered in relation to refugees became unnecessary.

The sanitary condition of the capital and of some other parts of the Empire was not favorable. The general organization of the service of public hygiene is producing beneficial results; it may be believed that, with a persevering execution of the dispositions of Decree No. 9,554 of 3rd February, the causes of the periodical invasions of epidemics will disappear:

August and most worthy representatives of the nation :

Your duties are arduous but not superior to your wisdom and patriotism. Animated by your confidence and assistance, the government will redouble its endeavors to elevate our country to that degree of prosperity which is the aspiration of all Brazilians.

The first session of the 20th Legislature is opened.

PROVINCIAL NOTES.

An industrial exposition is to be opened at Petrópolis on the 9th inst.

The Companhia Cantareira of São Paulo has recently been fined 2,000\$ for failure to comply with a provision of its contract.

The March receipts of the Manoel custom house amounted to 108,608\$108, against 80,475\$339 in the same month of last year.

Campinas is about to build a new theatre which is to be named after Carlos Gomes. The site, fronting the Largo de Carlos Gomes, cost 15,000\$.

The São Paulo provincial assembly has authorized the municipality of Taubaté to borrow 150,000\$ for the construction of water works for the town.

The president of São Paulo has entrusted the proposed monument to José Bonifácio in the Carmo church, at Santos, to the sculptor Bernarinielli.

A severe epidemic of yellow fever is raging in the city of Santa Catharina. According to the latest mail advices, the epidemic was steadily increasing.

The February receipts of the Maranhão treasury, including customs receipts, amounted to 154,952\$806, against 137,322\$391 in the same month of last year.

Conselheiro João Alfredo resigned the presidency of São Paulo on the 26th ult., and left for Rio on the following day to be present at the opening of the General Assembly.

The March receipts of the Porto Alegre custom house amounted to 361,957\$601, against 188,902\$391 in the same month of last year. There was a very large increase in imports.

According to the *Diário do Gram-Pari* the number of foreigners entering the province of Pará during the first quarter of the current year was 292, of which 209 were Portuguese.

The customs and other general revenue receipts from the province of Rio Grande do Norte in January last were 12,454\$593, against 26,593\$244 in the same month of last year.

To meet the expenses incurred by the projected water works, the municipal council of Ytú, São Paulo, has been authorized to levy an additional tax of 20% on all taxes imposed in the municipality, and 2% on the rental value of all the houses in the place besides receiving the revenue derived from the taxes on capitalists, agriculturists and fresh meat. We are not sure but what the good people of Ytú will prefer to go without water and take their chances on *cerveja nacional*.

—A dead dog impeded travel in a street in Casa Branca, São Paulo, for five days, the people waiting for the fiscal to remove it. The incident is not an important one in itself, but it illustrates a great deal.

—A recent letter from the S. Francisco engineering commission reports a suspension of work because of the rise of the river. This rise, it would seem, is generally accompanied by much sickness.

—The fiscal of the São Paulo Gas Co. has been instructed to prepare the bases for an *edital* inviting proposals for the public and private illumination of that city after the expiration of the present contract on December 31st, 1888.

—The president of São Paulo has made the one mistake of sanctioning the bill granting a 20,000\$ subsidy to an opera company. It is a gross error to make the tax-payer pay for the pleasures of the few favored individuals of the capital.

—A priest and a friend were stabbed and killed at Simões, province of Rio de Janeiro, on the 22nd ult. by a man named José do Pico. The crime caused general consternation in the place, as the two victims were generally esteemed.

—One of the principal objects of government in the province of São Paulo seems to be centered in the providing and repairing of jails—at least, so it would seem, from the frequent appropriations which are announced in the official dispatches.

—The municipal council of São Paulo has opened a *Livro de Horas* for the entry of subscriptions for the emancipation of slaves in that city. Perhaps it would be better to call it a "book of charitable donations" for the benefit of the rich slave-holders.

—The March receipts of the Bahia custom house amounted to 866,178\$608, against 894,567\$345 in the same month of last year. The decrease in duties on imports amounted to 55,653\$550, while in the duties on exports there was an increase of 29,232\$550.

—The March receipts of the Maceió custom house, province of Alagoas, amounted to 72,991\$10, and of the Penedo custom house to 9,874\$250. The total general revenue receipts of the province amounted to 87,402\$184, against 110,528\$140 in the same month of last year.

—The coffee exports from Victoria, Espírito Santo, during the month of March amounted to 5,327 bags to the United States and 100 bags to Italy, their official value being 100,488\$480. In addition the province exported various products to other provinces of Brazil to an aggregate value of 28,925\$560.

—According to the *Município de Casa Branca*, São Paulo, the police *sub-delegado* of Jatobápolis had been captured by a party of *capangas* who carried him to the plantation of one Francisco Bernarini where he was put in the stocks, whipped and tortured. A police force had been sent to his relief, but it is thought that he will be released before they can reach him.

—The Para provincial budget for next year appropriates a total sum of 3,125,712\$709, of which 62,400\$ is for the legislative and 71,100\$ for the executive departments, 52,500\$ for primary instruction, 73,000\$ for the Amparo college and 113,700\$ for the Paráense institute, 75,000\$ for hospitals and asylums, 457,500\$ for public works and buildings, 423,543\$500 for the police force, 142,973\$ for revenue officials and collection expenses, 122,572\$209 for staff officials' salaries, 131,200\$ for public illumination, 365,300\$ for navigation subsidies, 131,752\$ for service of the public debt, 200,000\$ for interest guarantees on the Branganga railway, and 100,000\$ for immigration propaganda in Europe, transportation and reception of immigrants. The final receipts for the year are estimated at 3,150,630\$.

—A peculiar incident occurred in Campos on the 27th ult. which we find it impossible to understand. Some laborers were at work in a trench which was being opened by the new drainage and water works company, when the earth suddenly caved in, killing three men and seriously injuring another. Some feeling against the company (foreign) already existed on account of the taxes fixed by the province, and this disaster was at once used as an excuse for a riot later in the day, in which great damage was done to the works and material of the company. Trenches were filled up, and tools and material broken and thrown into the river. The authorities were powerless in the matter, as the police refused to interfere. The company's representative sent a protest to the president of the province, and asked for an official investigation, of which no notice was taken, but an inquiry was afterwards arranged by the municipal authorities and the company's fiscal engineer, in which the company's representative, Mr. E. E. Benét, declined to take part. The company is The Campos Syndicate, Limited, and has only just begun operations. The taxes levied for water and drainage were fixed a long time ago, we believe, by the provincial legislature, and the company is therefore not responsible for them, nor can it change them without the assent of the provincial government. Under the circumstances, it is incomprehensible why the people of Campos should have made an accident the occasion of an insane attack on this company, in which so much unjustified damage was done.

RAILROAD NOTES

The Carangola company is seeking concessions for three branches in the province of Espírito Santo.

The S. Vicente tramway company has adopted steam motors on the line between that village and Santos.

The March receipts of the Carangola line amounted to \$9,702,820. The coffee traffic amounted to 1,619 $\frac{3}{4}$ tons.

The Pará tramway company proposes to put up pavilions at the waiting places, for the accommodation of passengers.

A change has been made in the time table of the Petrópolis railway, the morning week-day train leaving Petrópolis for Rio at 7:30 a.m.

The minister of agriculture has authorized the director of the Dom Pedro II railway to insure in national companies all material purchased abroad.

An imperial decree of the 24th ult. approves the plan presented by the São Paulo Railway Co. for the enlargement of their freight warehouse in Santos.

The February receipts of the Central Bahia line amounted to \$2,065,139, and the expenditures to \$6,898,840, leaving a surplus of \$1,166,620. The passenger tax amounted to 1,742\$200.

The minister of agriculture has authorized a change in the time table of the D. Pedro II line affecting the fresh meat trains from Santa Cruz, which are to leave that place at 6 p.m.

The extension of the Rio Bonito branch is progressing favorably. The Rio de Janeiro provincial treasury recently paid the contractor 100,000\$ for the construction of 27 kilometres.

The minister of agriculture, in a dispatch of the 20th ult., authorizes the fiscal of the city tramway lines to make an arrangement with the several companies for the use of a wire netting shield on street cars to prevent accidents.

The provincial assembly of São Paulo has been asked for a 50 years' privilege for a tramway between the ponte grande (S. Paulo) and the Cantareira. The petitioner asks for no favors outside of the concession.

The council of state has decided against the appeal of the "Natal a Nova Cruz" railway, in which the company tries to establish a right to claim indemnity for losses, over and above the interest guarantee. The appeal was on a refusal of the government to pay the losses in working expenses for 1883-84 amounting to 125,235\$850. The claim of the company certainly seems preposterous.

The minister of agriculture has asked the director of the Dom Pedro II line for an opinion upon the desirability of conceding lower fares and other favors for suburban trains in order to induce the working classes to reside in the suburbs instead of within the crowded parts of the city. The purpose is most excellent, and it is to be hoped that means will be found to make the suburbs cheaper and more desirable places of residence for the poorer classes.

The directors of the Alagoas Railway Co. report that the receipts of their line for the half year ending 31st December last, amounted to £6,369 (including profits on exchange) and their expenditures in Brazil to £7,928, leaving a deficit of £1,559. The expenses in England were £1,402, thus increasing the deficit to £2,961. The interest guarantee, however, enables them to declare a dividend of 10¢ a share, at the rate of 5% per annum.

Trouble has arisen in Bahia because the tram company there has refused to permit persons to ride on free passes after the hour for closing the public departments. The president of the province and police authorities are attempting to compel the company to recede from this position, and a serious interruption to traffic has occurred. The company is clearly in the right, but having the whole force of official parasites against them it is more than probable they will have to yield. The same abuse has long existed in this city, where the servants, families, and even friends, of officials ride on the free passes exacted by the government. Later telegrams from Bahia report the seizure of the company's property and the issue of an order by the president that all passes at any hour must be accepted. It is said that the president's servants ride with them.

A serious accident occurred on the Cantagallo railway on the evening of the 20th ult. between Rio Pomba and the Alto on the serras section. The train was composed of one locomotive, 3 four-wheel and 2 eight-wheel freight cars. Besides the train hands there were several employees of the line on the cars. When within 200 metres of the summit the wheels of the locomotive began to slip, and the brakes were put on. Sand was then thrown on the rails, after which another attempt was made but with disastrous results. The engine was started with such force that the couplings were broken and the cars started back down grade with great velocity. In a short distance the train was thrown from the track, killing four men and injuring several others. Assistance was called from Nova Friburgo, whither the bodies were taken.

By an imperial decree of the 24th ult. the government concedes two years more, for the completion of the Bananense branch of the D. Pedro II railway, the former being required to pay one half the expense of maintaining the junction station of Sande.

The minister of agriculture, in a dispatch of the 26th ult., authorizes the Natal and Nova Cruz Co. to establish a terminal station four kilometers from Natal, according to a proposal made some time ago. The fares and freights are to be the same as those between Sapé and S. João.

The appeal of Messrs. Waring Brothers against the decision of the General Assembly not to pay the £70,000 agreed upon for the revision of the "Victoria a Natividade" railway contract, has been referred to a section of the council of state of which Conselheiro José Bento da Cunha Figueiredo is relator.

We are glad to see that the S. Paulo and Rio de Janeiro company is getting so far out of its difficulties as to be able to promise a 6% dividend for the whole of the current year. At the end of 1884 the company owed 237,540\$500 for obligations incurred on account of dividends and 272,948\$230 to the Banco do Brasil. The first has been all paid excepting 18,735\$, and of the second (with interest of 29,968\$900 incurred since) 176,100\$ has been paid off. This leaves an indebtedness of 145,542\$130, the interest on which and 20,000\$ a year redemption can be satisfied with 1% of the interest guarantee received from the state. This leaves 6% of the guarantee free for dividends, which the fiscal commission propose to distribute this year. This will be good news to the many shareholders who have received nothing from their stock for several years.

LOCAL NOTES

The March expense of the military police force of this city was 67,900\$435.

The decree of conversion which was signed on the 17th ult. was not officially remitted to the several sub-treasuries until the 26th.

The officer in charge of General Arredondo and his companions between Rio Grande and this port denies that his prisoners were restrained from going on shore at intermediate ports.

Three columns of the *Diário Oficial* on the 30th ult. were devoted to the "aspect of the sky during the month of May." The aspect of the earth after its appearance remained unchanged.

Senator Francisco de Paula da Silveira Lobo died at his Ponte Nova plantation in Minas Geraes on the 26th ult. He was one of the most independent and plain-spoken members of the Senate.

The inspector of the custom house has been authorized to collect the disinfection charges on vessels, according to the notes of the same received from the port health inspector's office.

The Conde d'Eu celebrated his 44th birthday on the 28th ult. The naval vessels in port, arsenals and public offices displayed their flags, and His Highness was the recipient of many hearty congratulations.

The health inspector-general of this city has made a representation to the government against the sale of drugs, medicines and food products by auction without a previous examination by the sanitary authorities.

Among the passengers home by the American packet *Advance* was H. Clay Armstrong, Esq., United States consul-general, who leaves on a short visit to his family. Mr. Armstrong expects to resume his place here in August next.

An effort is being made to induce the minister of agriculture to order another trial of life-saving apparatus on street cars with the purpose of compelling all the companies of the city to make use of them. Should the effort succeed, the job will be a very profitable one for the parties interested.

A fire broke out in the club rooms of the Fenianos in Rua do Teatro on the afternoon of the 20th ult., resulting in the destruction of the two upper floors and considerable damage to the occupants of the ground floor. The losses are estimated at 20,000\$, which are covered by insurances in the native companies.

According to a recent statistical work, the total number of births in this city during the 14 years from 1871 to 1884, inclusive, was 101,809, of which 8,358—or a little over 8%—were born dead. This is an extraordinarily high proportion, being about twice that of the twelve principal countries of Europe.

The resignation of several of the provincial presidents at this time, because of their possessing seats in the Assembléa Geral, will add largely to the expenses of the government on account of "ajudas de custo." If retrenchment is really desired, here is a matter which will bear serious consideration.

The government has authorized a credit of 5,000\$ for the exploration of the Rio das Mortes in the province of Goyaz.

The solemn opening of the Beethoven Club free academy of music took place on the evening of the 1st inst.

The government has declared rigorous quarantine against the ports of Venice and Brindisi, and declares "suspected" all the ports of the Adriatic and Ionian seas and the gulf of Tarento.

Among the arrivals by the Pacific packet *Gália* were Messrs. Ed. Pecher, John Rops Chandron and Victor Jacques, directors of the Sociedade Anônima do Gas de Rio de Janeiro, recently organized in Brussels.

According to the *Folha de Minas* the coffee crop in the municipality of Cataguases, southern Minas, promises to be small, because of drought. Our colleague gives himself away, however, when he suggests that prices should be higher.

The new British minister to this Court, Henry G. Macdonnell, Esq., his wife and two children, and secretary of legation, William Henry Cadogan, arrived from England per the *La Plata* on the 29th. Fortunately, the arrival of the new minister and his family is late enough to escape the hot season just closed.

The last symptom of official activity in the Beethoven Club is a proposal to create an art exhibition. A cynical friend of the Club suggests that perhaps a better display of the talent of the directors in this direction would be afforded in a "babby show." It would certainly harmonize better with the objects of an association devoted to musical culture.

An imperial decree of the 17th ult., published on the 30th, grants a supplementary credit of 50,578\$125 to the minister of foreign affairs to meet deficits of the current year in the travelling expenses (*ajudas de custo*) of the foreign representatives of the empire. The appropriation was 45,000\$, while the expense already incurred is 75,578\$125, to which 20,000\$ is added for the remaining part of the year.

General Arredondo and his companions arrived here on the 28th ult. on the coasting steamer *Rio Jaguari*. They were informed that they were free to land and go where they pleased and a steam launch from the military arsenal was placed at their disposal, which they refused. They afterwards landed in another launch, and went to the private house of a friend. They complain that no food was supplied them by the authorities for two days after their arrest, and that they were left to the charity of private citizens.

The *Diário Oficial* of the 1st instant contains further official explanations regarding the position taken by the government toward the revolution in Uruguay. The minister of foreign affairs is evidently anxious to improve the public impression regarding his policy, for he publishes three columns of telegrams to show how neutral he had been. He even uses italics to prove his impartiality and neutrality. We fail to find any justification, however, in this *ex parte* exhibit, for the arrest of Arredondo and his forcible removal to this city.

The *Diário Oficial* of the 29th ult. contains an official explanation of the government in regard to the Uruguayan fugitives in Rio Grande, stating that it had been decided to give them full permission to reside there, or go elsewhere as they might desire. This decision was reached, however, after Gen. Arredondo had started for Rio de Janeiro [under arrest], but that on his arrival here on the 28th the government had declared him and his companions at liberty, and offered them shelter and assistance if they would accept it. The offer, however, had been refused. The explanation and offers of assistance will, of course, be accepted for what they are worth.

The *Diário de Notícias* is informed that the King of Portugal is intending to honor the Centro Commercial de Moliñhos do Rio de Janeiro (freely, the Rio Commercial Wine Centre) with an expression of his thanks for the service rendered by them to the commercial interests of that country. The president of the society, Sr. João José dos Reis, is to be specially honored by the title of "Visconde de S. Salvador," which, under the circumstances, must be considered singularly appropriate. Conscientious Christians may not like to see the title of "St. Saviour" given to a man for protecting the wine trade of Portugal, but they will probably content themselves with the reflection that it is only an ephemeral title after all.

We regret to note that the British postal authorities have recommended the practice of sending the South American mails across the Peninsula, to catch the steamers at Lisbon. The *Gália* had to wait two days at Lisbon for the mails, and even then it is doubtful whether she got them all. Neither the Royal Mail nor Pacific packets brought all our London exchanges. We are convinced that the arrangement is a great mistake, for the chance of getting the later date of one day does not counterbalance the delays and risks encountered in the Peninsula. It will probably take a full decade for the Portuguese to get rid of the obstacles which they built up the past season against the cholera, and even then it is doubtful if their conservatism will not lead them to retain the frontier quarantine and fumigation as an heirloom of the sacred past. All things considered, the safest and speediest arrangement is for the British postoffice to embark the mails at Liverpool and Southampton.

The postoffice investigating commission report the defalcation in that office to consist of: cash \$131,973\$746; stamps and stamped envelopes 6,738\$260; cash security deposits 8,597\$300, total 147,309\$306.

By an imperial decree of the 24th ult. the contract of *Companhia Brasileira de Navegação* is continued ten years longer, subject however to a reduction of 20% in the subsidy and a suppression of the voyage to Manaus.

The daily mortality reports show a total number of deaths for April of 1,216, or a daily average of 40 $\frac{1}{2}$, which is equivalent to an annual average of about 44 $\frac{1}{2}$ per thousand. There were 216 deaths from yellow fever, 152 from consumption and 2 from beri-beri.

Some of our colleagues have been overhauling the records for opinions against conversion, and have caught Andrade Figueira and Pereira da Silva in their net. Both of these gentlemen have denounced the idea in the most explicit terms. We shall await with much curiosity to see what they will now have to say about it, their own party being responsible for the measure.

We regret to note the death of Mr. James G. Henderson, which occurred in Petrópolis on the 22nd ult. after a brief attack of yellow fever. Mr. Henderson had spent some three or four years in Rio and Santos in the employment of Messrs. Arbuckle Brothers, of New York, and was about to return home for a vacation. In fact, he had arranged to leave Rio some weeks ago, but had changed his plans in order to await the arrival of the gentleman, now on his way out, who is to take his place here. He was ill only a few days.

An exceptionally severe rain storm visited this city on the evening of Easter Sunday, during which so much rain fell that the streets leading down from the Carioca hills became torrents, the Laranjeiras and Cattete were flooded, and much damage was done. Many houses and slopes along the Laranjeiras and Cattete were flooded. The streets became impassable from the depth of water and the accumulations of sand and mud washed down from the hills. In Rua Laranjeiras one young man was drowned in the street while trying to escape from a floating street car, and another disappeared, who it is thought, was washed into one of the severs. Much damage was done to the streets, and many walls fell during the evening.

Among the passengers by the Royal Mail packet *Travassos*, for Southampton, on the 9th inst. will be Mr. John A. Payne and wife, of Lagos, Africa, who have been visiting friends in this city during the past month. Mr. Payne had an interview with the Emperor on the 24th ult., in which His Majesty showed much interest in the present condition of the native populations on the West Coast of Africa, their civilization, institutions, etc. He was much surprised to learn that Mr. Payne was educated in Africa, and that his people are so advanced. The Rio section of the Lisbon Geographical Society and the Geographical Society of Rio de Janeiro have both conferred membership upon Mr. Payne, who addressed the former on the 30th ult. and will address the latter on the 8th inst. Mr. Payne has also addressed his own countrymen, of the Mineiro nation, once or twice on the condition and prospects of their compatriots in Africa, whose progress in freedom under the British flag has been very great, and will be honored by them with a banquet to-day. It is needless to add that Mr. Payne's visit has done incalculable good to the cause of abolition, not only for the information which he has given about the West Coast of Africa, but as a practical and personal illustration of what his people can attain in freedom and under liberal institutions.

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED.

Report and Accounts to 31st December, 1885, of the Recife and São Francisco Railway Co., Limited; presented to the 1st half-yearly meeting on 13th April, 1886. The total traffic receipts for six months is reported to have been £49,674 4s 4d, and the expenditures £30,390 11s 1d. A dividend at the rate of 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ % per annum was declared.

Relatório e Síntese dos Trabalhos da Câmara dos Srs. Deputados no Sessão do Ano de 1885. We are indebted to the secretary of the Chamber, Councillor Jorge J. Dodds, for a copy of this synopsis of last year's legislative work, which promises to be of great value for reference purposes.

Relatório da Companhia Estrada de Ferro Lopoldina, for the calendar year 1885; presented at the general meeting of shareholders on the 30th ult. The report shows a prosperous state of affairs for the company. We shall publish extracts in another place.

Primeras Lições de Ciencias de N. A. Calkins; translated and adapted from the 40th American edition by Ruy Barbosa, Rio de Janeiro: Imprensa Nacional, 1886. This translation and adaptation of Calkins' "Primary Object Lessons" has been published by the government with the purpose of distributing a certain number among the teachers and public instruction officers of the empire. The preparation of the Portuguese version has been most excellently done by Dr. Ruy Barbosa, whose intelligent interest in the work and in all matters relating to public instruction, has in reality made it a "labor of love." We do not know of any educational work likely to do more real good in Brazil than this, and great credit is therefore due the translator and inspector-general of public instruction for its publication.

THE "GALICIA" TESTIMONIAL.

We the undersigned Saloon Passengers, on board the Pacific Steam Navigation Co's R. M. S. *Galicia*, desire through this medium to express to Captain Park our gratitude for the kind and cordial treatment we have experienced at his hands during the whole voyage. Not only do we assure him of the complete confidence which we have felt as regards our safety, but we also desire to thank him personally and through him Mr. McKee, Chief Officer, Mr. Sparks, Chief Engineer, Mr. McAfee, Purser and the other Officers of the Ship, for the manner in which they have laid themselves out in every way to render this one of the most pleasant and agreeable voyages that any of us have ever experienced. Our trip has been sumptuous and the *Galicia* perfect in every way, to the entire satisfaction of the undersigned.

With every good wish to Captain Park and his Officers for the future, we subscribe ourselves,

George Janson José A. Sales
A. G. Scott Dr. J. E. Neto Machado
Miss E. Weeks A. R. da Costa Pinto
A. Daniel Mendes
Mrs. Foulkes J. E. Chaves
Alfredo Olmos Carlos Larrechea
Teles Olmos W. E. Leach
Dr. Moreira Dantas L. Weeks
Victor Jacques E. M. Reisch
Emilia Neto Machado M. R. Inch
Eduardo Peixoto Noel Reichard
Mme. M. L. de Souza Barros Dr. São Cristóvão
José Joaquim Lagrange Silva F. Lagrange
Henry Verner Dr. José Bonifácio Bueno de
A. R. Verner Monteiro F. Wiles
Frank B. Howden Lucinda Furtado Coelho
L. Flannery Robert McClure
Mrs. Richards

R. M. S. *Galicia*, April 29, 1886.

COMMERCIAL

Rio de Janeiro, May 4th, 1886.

Par value of the Brazilian gold rials \$100 gold 27 d.
do do do in U.S.
coin at \$1 per £1 stg. 51 45 cents
do \$100 (U.S. coin) British gold... 13 37
do £1 in British gold. 8 89

Bank rate of exchange on 1 rial to-day 22 d.
Present value of the Brazilian milreis (paper) 814 50
do do do in U.S.
com at \$1 & 80 per £1 stg. 44 05 ct.
Value of \$100 (\$14.80 per £1 stg.) in Brazilian currency (paper) 2 273
Value of £1 sterling 107 959

EXCHANGE.

April 21.—The market was again higher and the following rates were posted at the banks, viz: 20% on London, 45 on Paris and 565 on Hamburg at 90 dcts; 28 130-254 10 on New York at sight. A fair amount of business was again reported at 20%, 20 1/2, 21 1/2 and 22 1/2 for bank sterling and 21, 21 1/2, 21 3/4 and 23 1/2 for commercial bank paper from second hands passed at 21 1/2. Sovereigns closed with buyers at 11500 sellers at 11580.

April 24.—Rates at the banks were advanced to 21 on London, 45 on Paris and 561 on Hamburg at 90 dcts; 28 120 on New York at sight. In the afternoon bank sterling was reported at 21 1/2. Market quiet with commercial sterling quoted at 21 3/4-21 1/2. In francs bank was reported at 15 1/2 and commercial remarks at 366. Sovereigns closed with buyers at 11500, sellers at 11580.

April 26.—Official rates were unchanged, but business was reported in bank sterling at 21 1/2-21 3/4 direct and 21 1/2, 21 3/4, 21 1/2 and 21 3/4 from second hands. Commercial sterling was quoted at 21 3/4-21 1/2; market quiet. Sovereigns closed with buyers at 11400 sellers at 11450.

April 27.—The official rates in the banks were advanced to 21 1/2 on London, 44 on Paris and 555 on Hamburg at 90 dcts; 28 30-28 300 on New York at sight. A fair amount of business was done at 22, 22 1/2, 23 1/2 and 23 1/2 for bank and 21 1/2, 21 3/4 and 22 1/2 for commercial. Sterling quoted at 21 3/4-21 1/2; market quiet. Sovereigns closed with buyers at 11400, sellers at 11450.

April 28.—Rates at the banks were advanced to 22 on London, 435 on Paris and 537 on Hamburg at 90 dcts; 28 110 on New York at sight. A fair amount of business was done at 22, 22 1/2, 23 1/2 and 23 1/2 for bank and 21 1/2, 21 3/4 and 22 1/2 for commercial. Sterling quoted at 21 3/4-21 1/2; market quiet. Sovereigns closed with buyers at 11400, sellers at 11450.

April 29.—The market was not so strong but active, no transactions being reported at over 22 for bank and 22 1/2 for commercial sterling. Bank on Paris was quoted at 114. Sovereigns closed with buyers at 10820, sellers at 10890.

April 30.—Rates at the banks continued unchanged and the market is quiet at 22 for bank and 22 1/2-23 1/2 for commercial. Sterling quoted at 21 3/4-21 1/2; market quiet. Sovereigns closed with buyers at 10800, sellers at 10850.

May 1.—Market quiet at unchanged rates save lank on Paris at 22-22 1/2. The small business reported was at 22-22 1/2 bank sterling, latter from second hands, and at 22 1/2, 23 1/2, 23 1/2 and 23 1/2 commercial. Francs were quoted at 433 for bank 430-431 commercial. Sovereigns closed with buyers at 10800, sellers at 10850.

May 2.—The market opened flatter. The English banks drawing on head offices only at 22, and the native banks for counter business. In the afternoon it was reported the English banks were drawers on bankers at 22. The market is quiet with commercial sterling quoted at 22 1/2-23 1/2 and francs at 430. From second hands something was reported in bank sterling at 22 1/2. Sovereigns sold at 10850, closing with buyers at 10800, sellers at 10850.

May 4.—Marked firm all the banks are drawers at 22. Commercial sterling is quoted at 22%. Speculators are not so active and less second hand paper is offering. It is supposed that the momentary weakness during the past few days was caused by some liquidations.

The Brazilian Street Railway Co. in London has declared a dividend of 12 a share on ordinary stock (making 4 1/2 per cent. for the year) and 10 per cent. on the preference shares.

The directors of the Conde d'Eu Railway in London have decided to distribute an interim dividend of 10 per share, at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum for the half year ending 31st December last.

At the general meeting of the shareholders of the Leopoldina railway on the 3rd ult., Messrs. Antonio Patrício de Melo Barreto, Barão de S. Geraldo and José Arthur de Marinselli were re-elected directors unanimously.

Sr. Alfredo de Barros has resigned the presidency of the board of brokers and Sr. J. J. de França Júnior has been chosen to fill the vacancy, with Sr. Guilherme Phillips as secretary.

A quotation of the Five per cent. loan at 10,000\$, all paid may cause to others, as it did to us, some surprise. It appears that quotations are made upon the basis of 1000 paid and 95% face price of issue; viz: the holder of scrip having paid 100\$ and selling at 1,000\$ receives 105\$ per cent. paid. The subscriber who paid under discount selling at 1,000\$ make a net profit of between 75\$ and 80\$ per 1,000\$.

Among other reasons for the late conversion various writers in defense of the government point out that 50\$ per annua at 2% exchange is rather better than 6\$ at 17 1/2% or thereabouts. There is no gainsaying this; and were all the holders of scrip disbursing metal for their expenses, nothing could be said in complaint. As however the scrip are principally held in the Empire, we are at a loss to see what is to be proved by bringing exchange into the question. Beef and bread are no cheaper at 2%, than at 17 1/2%.

That the credit of the Empire is duly high the following extract from the *Jornal do Comércio* of the end inst. amply proves: "A letter from a competent person affirms that the advice of the recent internal law has produced an excellent effect on the London market, causing an immediate advance in Brazilian funds. It is reported there, that the correspondence exchanged between the minister of finance and Messrs. Rothschild in reference to the condition of the £6,000,000 loan shows a firm resolution on the part of the Imperial government to reduce as far as possible public expenses, and also to abstain from further compromises in the way of interest guarantees." With Messrs. Rothschild as authors, care will be taken, no doubt, to observe, as far as possible, the minister's determination.

During the past days a rumour has been current, with some persistence at the Exchange that the minister of finance contemplated the redemption of the bonds of the 1863 national loan, ordering from Europe large sums in gold. It is sufficient to consider that such action would be illegal, irrespective of the clauses under which the said loan was contracted, to deny all truth to such a rumor. With certainty the minister of finance does not think of such a thing. It has also been said that the National Treasury was operating in exchange, hence the advance in rates. This is not exact. We know that the Treasury has not drawn, because it has neither the least necessity for new funds, nor under present conditions would such an operation be favourable to its interests.... *Jornal do Comércio*, 29th April.

The April receipts at the Rio custom house were:

Imports 2,740,505 77
Port dues 2,050 77
Customs 203,669 500
Sundries 971 589
2,954,165 858

Deposits 1,988 148
Resumptions 10,228 034
Internal Revenue receipts 803,412 249

The receipts last year were:

Custom house 3,478,503 43
Internal revenue 923,377 382

Decrease:

Customs 508,222 855
Internal revenue 39,965 133

548,587 988

SALES OF STOCKS AND SHARES.

April 21.

7 Six per cent. apolices 1,019 000
139 do 1,020 000
140 Golfo Lloyd 1868 1,028 000
311 Five per cent. apolices, new loan 101 1/2 %
13 do 101 1/2 %
130 do 102 1/2 %
23 Banco Commercial 230 000
49 Banco Rural 305 000
42 Leopoldina R.R. 111 000
266 do. Cariá Utikana transway 7 1/2 %
66 Jardim Botânico 151 000
292 Nacional de Navegação 225 000
11 Confiança Fazenda Co. 62 000
186 do. Pern. Unico 200 000
24 hpy. notes Banco Predial 75 1/2 %
100 do 75 1/2 %

April 22.

7 Six per cent. apolices 1,019 000
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April 23.

7 Six per cent. apolices 1,019 000
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April 24.

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April 25.

7 Six per cent. apolices 1,019 000
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April 26.

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April 27.

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April 28.

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April 29.

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April 30.

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May 2.

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May 3.

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May 4.

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May 6.

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May 8.

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May 9.

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11 Confiança Fazenda Co. 6

THE RIO NEWS.

The daily average in April was:

against	6,734 bags
"	9,800 " in 1885
"	8,800 " in 1884
"	14,938 " in 1883
"	12,921 " in 1882
"	10,339 " in 1881
"	5,380 " in 1880

We annex quotations, which show sellers' ideas and are consequently more or less nominal.

	per kilo.	per arroba
Wasted.....	37500-58110	5800-78500
Superior.....	nominal	6 300-6 500
Good first.....	4 290-4 430	6 300-6 500
Regular first.....	3 950-4 150	5 800-6 100
Ordinary first.....	3 680-3 810	5 400-5 600
Good second.....	3 270-3 470	4 800-5 100
Ordinary second.....	2 850-3 130	4 200-4 600
Captains.....	nominal	nominal
Escolha.....	1 970-2 180	2 900-3 200

Stock was this morning estimated to be 362,000 bags by one broker, and 343,000 bags by another.

Vessels loading and to load.

	bags
New York Br str Rydal Water.....	13,000
do " Kata Passew.....	-
Baltimore Amer bk Kafa Rollins.....	3,000
do Amer lug Addy T. Bonner.....	5,000
New Orleans Br str Plate.....	1,200
Hamburg Ger str Montevideo.....	2,000
do Litzau.....	-
Marseilles } Ital str Perso.....	3,000
Trieste Aust str Stefanie.....	1,000

DAILY RECEIPTS AND SALES OF COFFEE AT RIO DE JANEIRO.

Receipts.....	Apr. 21	Apr. 22	Apr. 23	Apr. 24	Apr. 25	Apr. 26	Apr. 27	Apr. 28	Apr. 29	Apr. 30	Total
Sales U. States.....	850	2,318	3,944	11,734	2,801	9,020	1,605	6,612	4,107	2,616	202,349
Europe.....	2,336	-	-	-	-	-	1,277	-	81,59	-	34,671
Cape.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	500	-	10,018	-	10,018
Elsewhere.....	335	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	335
Total Sales.....	3,321	-	-	-	-	-	1,661	-	14,471	-	14,471
Shipments.....	13,675	-	-	-	-	-	3,432	-	10,628	-	10,628
Stock.....	334,000	-	-	-	-	-	9,795	-	8,058	-	8,058
Average price Ordinary 1st per arroba.....	350,000	-	-	-	-	-	10,650	-	9,800	-	9,800
do Good 2nd.....	do	-	-	-	-	-	9,515	-	8,765	-	8,765
Freight on London average.....	21%	-	-	-	-	-	2,214	-	1,447	-	1,447
Freight per steamer	25% & 5%	-	-	-	-	-	14,530	-	10,000	-	10,000

Receipts.....	Apr. 21	Apr. 22	Apr. 23	Apr. 24	Apr. 25	Apr. 26	Apr. 27	Apr. 28	Apr. 29	Apr. 30	Total
Sales U. States.....	500	2,318	3,944	11,734	2,801	9,020	1,605	6,612	4,107	2,616	202,349
Europe.....	2,336	-	-	-	-	-	1,277	-	81,59	-	34,671
Cape.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	500	-	10,018	-	10,018
Elsewhere.....	335	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	335
Total Sales.....	3,321	-	-	-	-	-	1,661	-	14,471	-	14,471
Shipments.....	13,675	-	-	-	-	-	3,432	-	10,628	-	10,628
Stock.....	334,000	-	-	-	-	-	9,795	-	8,058	-	8,058
Average price Ordinary 1st per arroba.....	350,000	-	-	-	-	-	10,650	-	9,800	-	9,800
do Good 2nd.....	do	-	-	-	-	-	9,515	-	8,765	-	8,765
Freight on London average.....	21%	-	-	-	-	-	2,214	-	1,447	-	1,447
Freight per steamer	25% & 5%	-	-	-	-	-	14,530	-	10,000	-	10,000

Total clearances of Coffee from Rio during ten months of crop-years.

DESTINATION	1888-89	1888-89	1888-89
UNITED STATES	Bags.	Bags.	Bags.
Baltimore	1,504,283	1,663,520	1,550,944
Hartford, Conn. f.o.	378,626	158,666	204,365
Richmond	-	-	18,786
Charleston	9,203	-	-
Savannah	9,252	42,663	34,117
Mobile	-	7,000	7,000
N. & S. Atlantic	221,083	16,500	152,172
Gibraltar	40,293	72,550	49,700
Port Eads f.o.	-	7,476	-
St. Thomas f.o.	-	-	5,000
S. Francisco Cal.	-	-	3,000
Total	2,319,655	2,327,214	1,669,744
EUROPE			
Channel f.o.	21,923	21,637	13,700
Havre	80,669	65,624	10,750
Antwerp	77,669	65,624	10,680
North of Europe & Baltic	335,283	339,261	164,017
England	87,553	143,279	101,600
Bordeaux	16,408	17,553	8,300
Lisbon f.o.	8,791	7,553	1,924
Portugal	314,810	380,468	292,243
Total	944,596	1,065,673	741,034
EUROPE			
Elsuwerre	50,857	68,740	55,093
Cape of Good Hope	43,442	47,510	32,644
River Plate & West Coast	-	-	-
Total	94,299	116,250	87,737
United States	2,330,655	2,321,214	1,669,744
Europe	944,596	1,065,673	741,034
Elsewhere	94,299	116,250	87,737
Totals	3,278,550	3,593,137	2,489,515

Pitch Pine.—There have been no receipts and brokers continue to quote the market per ton at \$40-\$60-\$18,000 per doz. Receipts last month were 665,727 feet, against 392,882 feet in April; 1888.

White Pine.—Receipts have been about 50,000 feet per C.S. Bushnell and 114,000 feet per Rebecca Crowell from New York. We may now quote at \$10-\$11.50 per foot; firm. Receipts in April were about 173,000 feet, against 554,312 feet in the same month last year.

Swedish Pine.—No receipts and the market reported steady at \$8,000 per doz. for white and \$8,800-\$9,000 for red deals. Receipts last month were nil, against \$14,000 doz. in April, 1888.

Spruce Pine.—The Tiber from Halifax brought 59,436 feet, which were sold at \$6,500 per doz. Receipts in April were 59,436 feet, against nil in the corresponding month last year.

Kerosene.—Receipts have been 10,000 cases per C. S. Bushnell and 3,700 cases per Rebecca Crowell from New York. Brokers now quote the market flat at about \$6,000 for invoices. Receipts last month were 17,700 cases, against 17,850 cases for the same month, 1885.

Lard.—Receipts have been 1,000 kegs per C. S. Bushnell and 2,000 kegs per Rebecca Crowell from New York and 400 kegs per D. Pedro II from Baltimore. The market is weak and low; the quotation furnished us being about \$600 rs. per lb. Receipts in April were 6,100 kegs, against 2,270 kegs in last year.

Fosin.—The D. Pedro II brought 300 bbls. from Baltimore and the Rebecca Crowell 325 from New York. Bushnell still quote at \$600-\$1000 per bbl as to quality and weight. Receipts last month were 1,025 bbls, against 555 bbls. for the same month last year.

Turpentine.—Receipts are 600 cases per Rebecca Crowell from New York and last quotations were about \$50-\$150 per kilo. Receipts in April were 600 cases against 500 cases for the same month, 1885.

Indian Corn.—Receipts since our last report have been:

4,000 bags per Nera from River Plate
1,000 " Galilea do
6,269 " Baumhau do
2,000 " Montezuma do
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4,000 bags per Nera, all from the River Plate. We may quote at \$2,000-\$2,400 per bag for River Plate.

Receipts in April were 6,1246 bags, against 4,449 for the same month last year.

Codfish.—Receipts are 603 units, 1,535 lbs. and 215 cases per Tiver from Halifax and 3,131 units and 200 cases per Clachanadrin from Jersey. The latter is to dealers, and quotations are only obtainable for retail lots.

Receipts last month were:

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1,755 " Astronomia from Cardiff
1,847 " Geraldine do
680 " Vasa da Gama from Newcastle

Receipts in April were 12,146 tons, all British, against 50,154 tons in the same month last year.

Cement.—The Ross from London brought 500 sacks. We may quote British at about \$8,000, German at \$6,500 and French at \$7,500 per cask. Receipts last month were 500 sacks British, against 200 sacks in April last year.

Hay.—We have had no receipts of foreign since our last and the market is unchanged at \$9,400-\$9,600 per bag for lots. Receipts in April were 21,542 bags, against 17,612 in April, 1885.

Flax.—We have had no receipts of foreign since our last and the market is unchanged at \$9,400-\$9,600 per bag for lots. Receipts in April were 21,542 bags, against 17,612 in April, 1885.

Cotton.—Receipts since our last report have been:

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ARRIVALS OF FOREIGN STEAMERS.

DATE	NAME	WHERE FROM	CONSIGNMENT TO	EMISSION	CIRCULATION	DENOMINATION	INTEREST	NOMINAL VALUE	LAST SALE	LAST QUOTATIONS
Apr. 21	Bessel Br	Liverpool* 32d	Norton, M'w & C	339,675,000\$	336,003,100\$	Apolices..... Jan., July.....	6 9/10	1,000\$	1,016\$	1,016\$000—1,017\$000
22	Plato Br	Liverpool* 29d	Norton, M'w & C	4,158,400	1,097,200	do do do	200—800	101 5/10	101 5/10	—
22	Admiral Am	Valparaiso* 2d	Wilson Sons & C	119,600	119,600	do do do	1,000	1,000	92 9/10	—
22	Admiral Br	Valparaiso* 2d	Wilson Sons & C	30,000,000	24,435,500	Gold Loan of 1868.....	6 9/10	1,000	1,000	—
23	Neva Br	Montevideo* 4d	Royal Mail	51,885,000	47,777,500	Jan., Apr., July, Oct., Jan., July.....	11 1/2 7/10	1,000	1,000	—
23	Senegal Fr	Bordeaux* 12d	Mess. Maritimes	18,312,100	7,959,600	Province of Rio de Janeiro.....	6 9/10	200—300	103 9/10	104 9/10—107 9/10
23	Provence Fr	Montevideo* 12d	Kan Valais & Co	—	—	HYPOTHECARY NOTES.	—	—	—	—
24	Paranaú Gr	Hamburg* 2d	Santos 18d	—	—	Brazil—..... Jan., Dec., Jan., July.....	5 9/10	100\$	100 1/2	103 9/10
24	Paranaú Gr	Hamburg* 2d	Santos 18d	—	—	Crédito Real do Brasil—..... Jan., July.....	5 9/10	100	76 9/10	77 9/10
24	Piolo Br	Liverpool* 2d	Norton, M'w & C	—	—	do gold do gold do gold S. Paulo.....	5 9/10	111,55	85\$000	85\$000
25	Santos Gr	Santos 20d	E. Johnston & C	—	—	do gold do gold do gold S. Paulo.....	6 9/10	100	81 1/2 9/10	85 9/10
27	Braço Br	Antwerp* 7d	A. Gledhill & C	—	—	Predial..... May, Nov.....	6 9/10	100	79 9/10	79 9/10
28	V. de Vitoria Fr	Wellington* 10d	Wilson Sons & C	5,447,200	5,447,200	Predial.....	—	—	—	—
28	Bras Br	South' ton* 2d	Royal Mail	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
29	La Plata Br	Buenos Aires 6d	Norton, M'w & C	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
29	V. de Rio Jan. Fr	Santos 18d	A. Leibn & C	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30	Gaúcho Br	Hamburg* 2d	Wilson Sons & C	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30	Stephano Anst	Hamburg* 2d	E. Johnston & C	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	Montevideo Gr	Hamburg* 7d	Santos 18d	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	Baumwall Gr	Bremen* 4d	H. Stoltz & C	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	Canning Br	P. Alegre* 10d	Norton, M'w & C	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	Argentina Gr	Santos 18d	E. Johnston & C	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	Ryder Br	Hamburg* 2d	H. Stoltz & C	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	Bras Br	Hamburg* 2d	E. Johnston & C	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
May	1	Baltimore Gr	Bremen* 4d	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1	Argentino Gr	Santos 18d	H. Stoltz & C	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1	Bras Br	Hamburg* 2d	E. Johnston & C	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1	Stephano Anst	Hamburg* 4d	E. Johnston & C	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3	Montevideo Gr	Hamburg* 7d	Santos 18d	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3	Braço Br	Santos 20d	Norton, M'w & C	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

DEPARTURES OF FOREIGN STEAMERS.

DATE	NAME	WHERE TO	CARGO	CAPITAL	SHARES	ISSUE	VALUE	PAID UP	NAMES	REGULAR FUND	LAST DIVIDEND	LAST QUOTATIONS
Apr. 22	Magellan Br	Liverpool	Sundries	500,000\$	2,500	All	200\$	All	Angular.....	6,675,168	82\$00	Jan., 1886
22	Bras Br	Porto Alegre*	—	6,000,000	30,000	12,718	200	All	Brazi.....	6,051,818	27\$00	Jan., 1886
23	Braço Br	Santos	—	4,000	2,000	All	200	All	Commercial do Rio Janeiro.....	1,419,055	216	250\$000—276\$000
24	Neva Br	Southampton	—	1,200,000	7,500	1,926	200	All	Companhia.....	6,500,000	221 9/10	9 0/10 Jan., 1886
24	Ionic Br	London	—	1,000,000	100,000	30,000	200	All	Crédito Real do Brasil.....	56,318	467	50 0/10 Jan., 1886
24	Provence Fr	Marseilles*	—	20,000,000	100,000	12,500	200	All	do do de S. Paulo.....	61,591	379	3 7/10 Jan., 1886
24	Argentina Gr	do	—	1,000,000	25,000	24,313	200	All	Engenho do Rio Grande, Limited.....	87,000,000	200	6 0/10 Jan., 1886
25	Paranaú Gr	do	—	6,000,000	30,000	12,500	200	All	Industrial e Mercantil.....	£ 250,000	140	100\$000
25	Bras Br	London	—	1,000,000	4,000	All	200	All	Londres and Brasileira, Limited.....	£ 250,000	8	8 April, 1886
25	Stephano Anst	do	—	1,000,000	20,000	10,000	200	All	Mercantil de Santos.....	375,000,000	270	10 0/10 Jan., 1886
25	Montevideo Gr	do	—	8,000,000	40,000	12,500	200	All	Predial.....	124,919	770	70 0/10 Jan., 1886
25	Bras Br	do	—	1,000,000	5,000	All	200	All	Rural e Hidráulico.....	2,320,000,000	310	10 0/10 Jan., 1886
May	1	Baltimore Gr	Bremen* 4d	—	—	—	—	All	União de Crédito.....	23,756	77	70 0/10 Jan., 1886
1	Argentina Gr	Santos 18d	E. Johnston & C	—	—	—	—	—	RAILWAYS	—	—	—
1	Ryder Br	Hamburg* 2d	H. Stoltz & C	—	—	—	—	—	Anglo-Brasileiro.....	—	—	—
1	Bras Br	Hamburg* 2d	E. Johnston & C	—	—	—	—	—	Campos e Cananéia.....	11,612	310	125 0/10 Jan., 1886
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1	Bras Br	do	—	—	—	—	—	do debentures.....	—	—	—	
1	Stephano Anst	Southampton	—	—	—	—	—	do debentures.....	—	—	—	
1	Bras Br	London	—	—	—	—	—	do debentures.....	—	—	—	
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Date	Steamer	Destination
May 9	Front	Southampton and Antwerp, calling at Lisbon, Macao, Pernambuco, Lisbon and Vigo.
May 17	Tamar	Santos, Montevideo and Buenos Ayres.
May 24	La Plata	Southampton and Antwerp, calling at Pernambuco and Lisbon.

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